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delivery services - it would be there. Other states, as mentioned in the letter, do not have this mechanism available. They did not have the time warning that the sirens of disaster are giving this Legislature. We do have time to implement this emergency legislation with no cost to anyone only potential benefit. It would appear to me that with 434 in place and 809 in place we're in good shape. But now remember the opponents to both of those proposals mentioned their unconstitutionality. Maybe those proponents are correct. Should they be the people of Nebraska just will not be served. If there is anything important in the malpractice question that this Legislature should be looking at it's medical delivery services to the people, availability. LB 917 is one more system that will ensure that availability. I would vote against the kill motion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, would you close debate on this matter please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature. Senator Schmit made some remarks which ${\rm I}$ think cannot be left without a response. He talked about welfare people demanding this and demanding that. I know of farmers who get money for not doing anything. They get money for not growing crops. I know of people who make agreements so that the government will not regulate the utilization of pesticides or set standards. They have personal financial interest in these types of operations. I know of farmers who get large loans from banks. I know of legislators who do the same thing and then they carry banking legislation. I know of large corporations that pay bribes. I know of people who sold stock in some of these corporations. So if you're going to talk about people getting away with things, Senator Schmit, don't pick the defenseless and the voiceless, jump on the big ones that's it's easy to carry legislation for, but whom you dare not oppose. There are some people who will oppose them and oppose you too.

Now when they talk about all the good that 917 is going to do about ensuring the delivery of better medical services and Senator Schmit is going to entone and sermonize about having medical care available for everybody, I'm shocked that he could be a member of the Board of Blue Cross and Blue Shield and talk about the adequacy and the availability of medical care for everybody. His company just raised the amount that they're charging people in this program that the Legislature gets because of the skyrocketing costs of hospitalization. Now there are a lot of people, I would say the majority of people in this country cannot afford to be hospitalized. They cannot afford to see the doctor. So perhaps bills like the Legislature has been running through will be good because it will be necessary for the government to do what the medical profession is not capable of doing because it has become very greedy, very self-centered and is able to control legislatures like this. It is able to cram legislation down the throat of Senators who won't take the time to read it and lack the capability of understanding it. I have to be kind by saying they lack the capability because if they understood it and pass it they would be vicious. If they don't understand it then their